

New York Stock Market

New York December 18.—An outburst of excited bidding around the Stock Exchange today to sudden activity toward the close of what had been a dull and colorless session.

With the news from Philadelphia of the increase in its quarterly dividend from 1-2 to 2 per cent, Reading soared quickly from 165 1/4 to 170.

Other stocks responded to the jump in Reading, and Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Lehigh Valley and Steel closed a point above yesterday's close.

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News of the Reading dividend increase at this time came as a surprise, although there had been vague reports that with the Supreme Court decree in the antitrust case made known the directors might take some action favorable to stockholders at to-day's meeting.

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By Richard W. Maury. Stock and Bond Broker, 1115 E. Main Street Richmond, Va., December 18, 1912.

SALES AT BOARD. Virginia Centuries—1900 at 85. STATE SECURITIES. Bid Asked.

RAILROAD BONDS. C. & O. R. R. Com. Tr. 4 p. 100 98 1/2

RAILROAD STOCKS. Par. Chesapeake and Potomac 100 100

BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS. Broad Street National 100 100

MINOR STOCKS. R. E. Realty Corporation 100 100

BOND LIST. Allis-Chalmers 100 100

COTTON MARKETS. New York December 18.—The cotton market today was active and the market was well supplied with cotton.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET. Chicago, Ill., December 18.—Wheat and corn markets were active today.

Official Range and Sale of Stocks in New York

Table with columns: Sales, Open, High, Low, Closing, Bid, Asked. Lists various stocks like Allis-Chalmers, American Tobacco, etc.

BY THOMAS BRANCH & CO., Bankers and Brokers. Firm at 351 1/2 St. receipts 782 cases; shipments 141 cases; sales 725 cases; stock 34,077 barrels.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE. PORT OF RICHMOND, DECEMBER 18, 1912. ARRIVED. Steamer Berkeley, Shelby, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers.

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LOCAL MARKET QUOTATIONS. (Published by Levy Commission Co., Commission Merchants, Richmond, Va.)

ACTUAL WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS OF LIVE POULTRY. Children, choice 15 @ 18

CATTLE MARKETS. Richmond Live Stock Market. (Sales at Union Stock Yards) Richmond, Va., December 18, 1912.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS. PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET. (Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET. New York, December 18.—Flour—Steady. Wheat—Firm. No. 2 red, 1.07 1/2.

DEY GOODS MARKET. New York, December 18.—The cotton goods market were quiet and steady.

NAVAL STORES. Wilmington, N. C., December 18.—Spirits Turpentine—Steady at 25 1/2.

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Financial

Theater Threatened. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Pulaski, Va., December 18.—Fire threatened the Elks Theatre and Home here last night.

Railroads. Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. 7:30 A.—Local—Daily—Newport News

SOUTHERN RAILWAY. PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH. N. E.—Following schedule figures published as information and not guaranteed:

Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac R.R. TO AND FROM WASHINGTON AND BEYOND. Leave Richmond

Norfolk & Western Railway. ONLY ALL RAIL LINE TO NORFOLK. Schedule in Richmond, December 22, 1912.

Atlantic Coast Line. THE EFFECTIVE "HOMER" OF THE SOUTH. TRAINS LEAVE RICHMOND DAILY.

Richmond & Petersburg Electric Railway. Cars leave Manchester, Seventh and "err Street, for Petersburg:

SEABOARD AIR LINE. Southbound trains scheduled to leave Richmond for: 2:30 A. M.—Local to Norfolk.

Strambots. ARCADIAN. The Largest and Finest Steamer to Bermuda.

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Appreciative Attention. With resources of over Twenty Million Dollars, this bank is not too large to give considerate attention to the little things that mean much to the welfare of the depositor.

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First National Bank. Ninth and Main. Capital and Surplus, \$3,000,000.

A BANK with the reputation and prestige such as that enjoyed by Richmond's Strictly Commercial Bank.

Obviously must render services of an exceptional character. May we not explain to you the advantages of an account with this strong institution? We solicit Commercial, Personal, and Savings Accounts.

Planters National Bank of Richmond, Virginia. Capital \$300,000. Surplus and Profits \$1,400,000.

Make Your Children Proud. Nothing is prettier to see than a child's importance when allowed to do something in a "grown-up way."

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THE HOME FOR SAVINGS. The Central National Bank OF RICHMOND. CAPITAL, \$350,000.00.

Charles Hutzler, President. Chas. A. Peple, Vice-President. W. H. Schwarzschild, Vice-President. Philip E. W. Goodwin, Cashier. Geo. T. Mattern, Jr., Asst. Cashier.

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Trust Co. of Virginia. Another good day in the matter of making wills, in which this company is named Executor and Trustee. We are busy, but not too busy to have YOURS drawn, if you will come to see us.

Trust Co. of Virginia. The Safe Executor. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA. CAPITAL ONE MILLION.